

**What is claimed is:**

1. A video recording system, comprising:
  - a. a means for sensing when a vehicular collision occurs;
  - b. at least one video camera;
  - 5 c. a means for storing a predetermined amount of video footage recorded by the at least one video camera; and
  - d. a triggering means coupling the means for sensing when a vehicular collision occurs and the at least one video camera;

wherein when the means for sensing when a vehicular collision occurs is actuated,

10 the at least one video camera begins recording the video footage.
2. The system of claim 1, wherein the means for sensing when a vehicular collision occurs is selected from the group consisting of accelerometers, air bag actuation mechanisms, speedometers, collision sensors, seat belt monitors, acoustic sensors, engine sensors, gyroscopic means and automotive systems sensors.
- 15 3. The system of claim 2, wherein the system further comprises a microphone for recording audio footage.
4. The system of claim 2, wherein the means for storing the predetermined amount of video footage is coupled to the at least one video camera by a hard-wire link.
5. The system of claim 2, wherein the means for storing the predetermined amount of video
 

20 footage is coupled to the at least one video camera by wireless link.
6. The system of claim 5, further comprising at least a second means for storing video footage, wherein the at least a second means for storing video footage is disposed at a remote location.
7. The system of claim 5, further comprising a means for displaying the video footage,
 

25 wherein the means for displaying the video footage is disposed at a remote location.

8. The system of claim 5, wherein the video footage is streamed across the wireless link.
9. The system of claim 5, wherein the video camera comprises a remotely actuatable control mechanism.
10. The system of claim 1, wherein the video camera comprises a cellular telephone.
- 5 11. The system of claim 1, wherein the video camera comprises a vehicular navigation unit.
12. A video recording system for capturing video footage of an accident scene, the system comprising:
  - a. a video camera comprising:
    - i. at least one microprocessor;
    - 10 ii. memory for storing at least a portion of the video footage therein; and
    - iii. a means of receiving a video actuation signal;
  - b. a vehicular control system comprising:
    - i. a means for detecting a collision; and
    - ii. a means for transmitting a video actuation signal;
- 15 wherein when the means for detecting a collision detects that a collision has occurred, the means for transmitting a video actuation signal transmits a video actuation signal, and upon the means for receiving a video actuation signal receiving the video actuation signal, the microprocessor causes the video camera to begin recording the video footage.
- 20 13. The system of claim 12, wherein the means for sensing when a vehicular collision occurs is selected from the group consisting of accelerometers, air bag actuation mechanisms, speedometers, collision sensors, seat belt monitors, acoustic sensors, engine sensors, gyroscopic sensors and automotive systems sensors.
14. The system of claim 13, further comprising a microphone for recording video footage.
- 25 15. The system of claim 14, wherein the video camera comprises a cellular telephone.

16. The system of claim 14, wherein the video camera comprises a vehicular navigation unit.

17. A method of recording video footage of an accident scene, the method comprising the steps of:

- 5           a. upon a vehicular collision occurring, receiving a video actuation signal from a vehicular diagnostic system capable of detecting that the vehicular collision has occurred;
- b. initiating a video recording system; and
- c. storing video footage recorded by the video recording system.

10           18. The method of claim 17, further comprising the step of transmitting the video footage to a server.

19. The method of claim 17, wherein the video recording system comprises the system of claim 1.

20. The method of claim 17, wherein the video recording system comprises the system of claim 12.